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Northwest Point Farm  
Centreville vicinity  
private

4th quarter 18th Century

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Northwest Point Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Lands End Road, north of Island Creek Road

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Queen Anne's

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED☒ not applicable

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Rosa H. McDonald

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Invergarry

CITY, TOWN

Montchanin

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Delaware 19710

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Queen Anne's County Courthouse

Liber #: TSP 61

Folio #: 27

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Courthouse Square

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Northwest Point is located on the west side of Lands End Road on Wilmer Neck. Beside the brick house constructed in the 1930's, there is a late 18th century frame 1 1/2 story dwelling with two-story frame wing of later date. The old house is the one which is included in this survey.

The old house is a five bay long, 1 1/2 story structure with shed dormers on both sides of the 'A' roof. On the northwest side is a screened porch. On the northeast, set at right angles to the older part, is a two-story, three bay structure which appears to be 20th century. The entire building is covered with weatherboard. Windows of the old section have 9/6 sash, whereas all others have 6/6, all with louvered blinds. The building stands upon a brick basement. Within each gable of the older part is a large brick chimney.

Inside, the plan of the house is now two rooms with service and kitchen rooms in the wing. The original plan was a central stair hall flanked by two rooms, the stair remains in its original location in the center of the house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

The living room, now with stair, has a protruding chimney breast flanked by two windows on the gable end. The composition of the chimney breast is quite handsome and appears to have been derived from an architectural source book. The mantel has crossetted trim with fretwork frieze of interlocking octagons and squares. Beneath the shelf is a row of tiny dentils. Above the mantel is a flush panel with applied molding forming a rectangle, around which is a larger ovolo molding with crossettes at the top and terminating in a scroll with carved rosette in the center.

The room also has wide trim around the windows, chair rail and baseboard. The close-string stair has a paneled spandrel with basement door, rectangular balusters and square newels. It is similar to the Partnership stair, although on a smaller scale. The main door has panels on the exterior and vertical batten inside. In a corner adjacent the door is a built-in cabinet which conceals the plumbing from upstairs.

The dining room has vertical beaded boards over the fireplace. To the left of the fireplace is an unusual cupboard composed of a double door cupboard and a single door cupboard. This composition is similar to several houses in the Madison area of Dorchester County. The same type trim is also found in this room.

## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.2 DESCRIPTION

The second story is divided by board walls, parts of which are original. The two principal rooms appear to have had chair rail originally. When the shed dormers were added, the new lengths of vertical boards were spliced at the chair rail. The wall at the head of the stairs, adjacent the bath, is probably original. The doors here are board and batten.

There is a basement beneath the old part of the house, part with brick floor. As usual, there are arched chimney supports at the ends of the building, the east one having been rebuilt.

Behind the house, to the northeast, is a small burying ground bearing the names of the Malloy and Gould families.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

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DATE

8/23/83

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

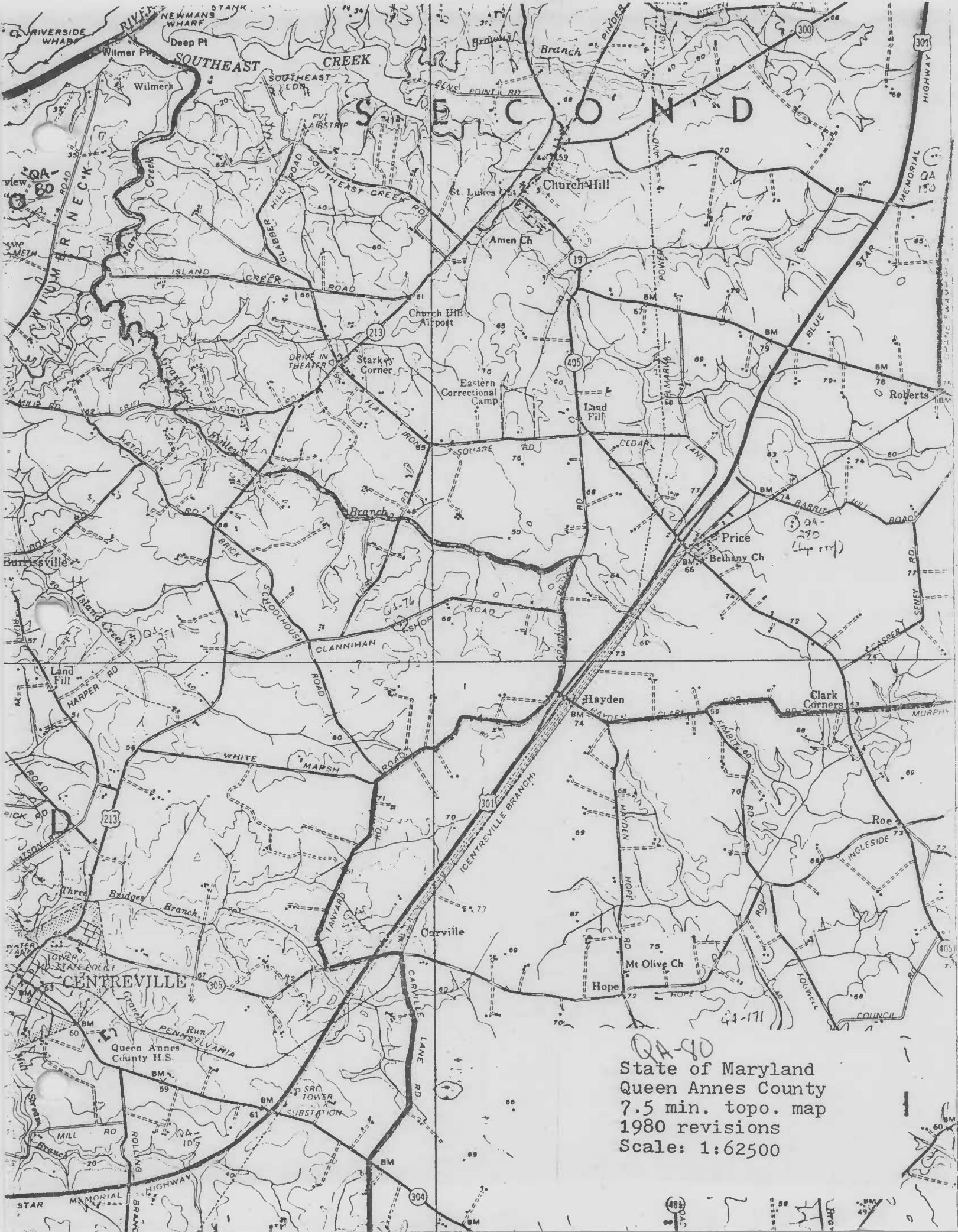
STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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Northwest Point  
Southwest

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Northwest Point  
Chimney breast in  
Living Room  
West wall

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